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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office action dated April 22, 2001.

Remarks

Claims 1-71 are pending and at issue in this reissue application.

Patentees traverse the objection to the application as lacking the written consent of all assignees. As an initial matter, the United States Department of Energy does not own any interest in the subject patent. Apparently, an assignment of U. S. Patent No. 4,847,008 was mistakenly recorded in the assignment records of the Patent Office under the serial number for the application that issued as the subject patent. This mistaken recordal evidently resulted from the fact that the serial number of the application that resulted in U. S. Patent No. 4,847,008 was 06/870,296 whereas the serial number of the application that resulted in U. S.